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1. REFAIR REPORTED THE DECISION BY THE US CONGRESS/
EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT (EP) CONFERENCE IN TAORMINA, SICILY
TO HOLD SOMETIME IN NOVEMBER THE NEXT SEMI-ANNUAL
EXCHANGE IN WASHINGTON AND CALIFORNIA, AND AGREEMENT
TO CREATE A JOINT WORKING COMMITTEE TO EXAMINE THE
MODALITIES FOR THE US MEETING. AS A RESULT OF LATER
CONVERSATIONS DURING THE EP MAY PLENARY SESSION, WITH
PARLIAMENTARIANS AND EP STAFF WHO ATTENDED THE TAORMINA
SESSION, MISSION UNDERSTANDS THAT THE US AND EP
DELEGATIONS FURTHER AGREED TO ENTRUST THE WORKING
COMMITTEE WITH THE JOB OF STUDYING THE FEASIBILITY
OF INCREASING CONGRESSIONAL/EP CONTACTS OUTSIDE THE
FRAMEWORK OF THE SEMI-ANNUAL EXCHANGES. THE EP STAFF
HAS INFORMED US THAT NO EP ACTION HAS SO FAR BEEN TAKEN
ON THE TAORMINA DECISION BECAUSE IT HAS NOT YET BEEN
SUBMITTED, AS REQUIRED, TO THE EP BUREAU FOR APPROVAL.
SAME SOURCES TELL US THAT THE PROPOSAL WILL BE SENT TO
THE BUREAU FOR ITS CONSIDERATION MAY 26.

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2. MISSION DOES NOT HAVE ANY INFORMATION REGARDING HOW
U.S. CONGRESSMEN PRESENT AT TAORMINA PLAN TO USE THE
WORKING COMMITTEE TO DEVELOP IDEAS FOR ENHANCED EP-
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